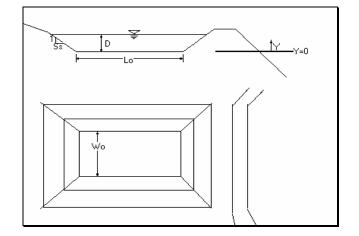
## **Reference Section 6-B**

# **Pond Geometry Calculations**

#### <Known>

Volume (V)
Pond Depth (D)
Side Slope (S<sub>S</sub>)
Length-to-Width Ratio (R)



#### <Find>

Bottom Area of Rectangular Pond

### <Solution>

Y = depth of section measured from bottom, from zero to D  $W_0$ = width at pond bottom

The pond width (W) at any depth, Y

$$W_Y = W_0 + 2S_S Y$$
 Eq. 1

The pond length (L) at any depth, Y

$$L_Y = RW_0 + 2S_S Y$$
 Eq. 2

The pond area at any depth, Y

$$A_Y = L_Y W_Y = (RW_0 + 2S_S Y)(W_0 + 2S_S Y)$$
 Eq. 3

or,

$$A_Y = RW_0^2 + (R+1)2W_0S_SY + 4S_S^2Y^2$$
 Eq. 4

The equation for the pond-full volume (V) is obtained by integrating between Y=0 and Y=D

$$V = \int_{0}^{D} \left( RW_{0}^{2} + (R+1)2W_{0}S_{S}Y + 4S_{S}^{2}Y^{2} \right) dY$$
 Eq. 5

or,

$$V = \left[ RW_0^2 Y + (R+1)W_0 S_S Y^2 + \frac{4}{3} S_S^2 Y^3 \right]_0^D$$
 Eq. 6

or,

$$V = RDW_0^2 + S_S D^2 (R+1)W_0 + \frac{4}{3}S_S^2 D^3$$
 Eq. 7

Where

V = Volume of rectangular pond R = Length-to-width ratio

D = Depth Ss = Side Slope

 $W_0$  = Bottom width

Rearrange equation to solve for W<sub>0</sub> using quadratic equation,  $0 = ax^2 + bx + c$ 

$$0 = RDW_0^2 + S_S D^2 (R+1)W_0 + \frac{4}{3}S_S^2 D^3 - V$$
 Eq. 8

Use Quadratic Equation to solve for positive solution of W<sub>0</sub>,  $x = \frac{-b \pm \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a}$ 

$$W_0 = \frac{-S_S D^2 (R+1) \pm \sqrt{\left[S_S D^2 (R+1)\right]^2 - 4RD \left(\frac{4}{3} S_S^2 D^3 - V\right)}}{2RD}$$
 Eq. 9

Use Equation 2 for Length of pond at Y=0,  $L_0 = RW_0$ 

Use Equation 3 for Area of pond at Y=0,  $A_O = L_0 W_0 = RW_0^2$